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PRESS RELEASE

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DATE/TIME OF OCCURRENCE: 4-23-04
NATURE OF CALL: AUTO BURGLARY ARREST
LOCATION OF CALL: NORTH SHORE LAKE TAHOE
SUSPECTS: DENNIS MICHAEL AIGOTTI, 36, VALLEJO
RELEASED BY: CAPTAIN RICK ARMSTRONG 530-581-6318

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

A recent string of smash-and-grab auto burglaries may have ended with the arrest of Parolee-at-Large Dennis Michael Aigotti by the Benicia Police Department. Benicia Police arrested Aigotti last week after he attempted to cash a stolen check at a Benicia business. When arrested, he was found to be in possession of numerous stolen checks, false identification and stolen property. Some of the items recovered during the arrest were identified as items stolen from vehicles on the North Shore of Lake Tahoe.

Detective Dave Hunt had tracked Aigotti to the Bay Area and alerted officials there of his possible location and continuing criminal activities. Investigators in the Bay Area are charging Aigotti with 20 counts of forgery, 20 counts of burglary, one count of identity theft, three counts of fraudulent checks and four counts of unauthorized use of credit cards. He will face several charges relating to the burglary series in the Tahoe area. The investigation is ongoing and additional suspects have been identified and may also be charged in this case. To keep yourself from becoming a victim don't leave valuables in your car, especially in plain sight, as these were the situations the suspects took advantage of. If you are victimized, notify the Sheriff's Office right away and notify your credit card companies and banks. An occasional credit check is also a good idea. Contact Detective Dave Hunt at (530) 581-6325 for additional help and information.

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